

## House Resolution No. 3153

**Whereas**, as the 2003-2004 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

**Whereas**, the Gasconade County R-I School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 24, 2004, with the retirement of Spanish teacher Sharon Leech who has devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

**Whereas**, Sharon Leech has also taught English and drama at Gasconade County R-I, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

**Whereas**, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Sharon Leech served as a teacher at Ritenour High School and Montgomery County R-II and in the cities of St. Louis, New Franklin, Montgomery City, and Clarksville, Tennessee; and

**Whereas**, Sharon Leech has supported her profession as a member of the Missouri State Teachers Association, the Gasconade County Teachers Association, and the Foreign Language Teachers of America; and

**Whereas**, Sharon Leech derives a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through her affiliation with St. Paul United Church of Christ, a place of worship that has special meaning to her as a cherished member; and

**Whereas**, Sharon Leech has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Mark Leech; three children, Amy, Andy, and Ben; and three grandchildren, Allee, Owen, and Jacob:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Gasconade County R-I School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Sharon Leech has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Sharon Leech, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mike Sutherland  
District No. 99

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3153, adopted June 9, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker